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Affidavit

JOHN H. MESSING, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and says:

- 1. He is the applicant in Serial Number 09/081,872. He is fully competent to testify to that which follows.
- 2. The invention which is the subject of this application has received academic and professional recognition. It is the subject of a law review article entitled "Electronic Court Filing in The Pima County Small Claims Court -- Technical Parameters, Adopted Solutions, and Some of the Legal Issues Involved", 38 Jurimetrics J. 397-406 (1998)(American Bar Association) and the Justice Court was named one of the top ten court websites in the Spring of 2000, see http://www.justiceserved.com, in large part because of the benefits of the invention.
- The invention has been commercially used by the Pima County Consolidated Justice Court under contract since May, 1998, and a second court is currently negotiating for the use of the technology.

Inventor

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COUNTY OF PIMA



Acknowledged before me this $2 \frac{1}{2}$ day of December 2000 by John H. Messing, known to me as such.

Notary Public Messay

My commission expires:



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